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^{*} NOTE.—The next Session of the Detroit Annual Conference will be held at Romeo, Macomb County, September 16th, 1863, Bishop Simpson Presiding.

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MINUTES.

I. Organization.

The Detroit Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, convened for its seventh annual session, in the City of Ann Arbor, September 24, 1862.

At 9 o'clock, the Bishop not having arrived, the Secretary of last year called the Conference to order, when it proceeded to elect a President, according to the direction of the Discipline in such cases; brothers Gardner and Smart acting as tellers.

Rev. George Smith, Presiding Elder of Adrian District, was elected President. The Secretary then called the roll of the Conference, when eighty-seven members answered to their names.

On motion of E. H. Pilcher, S. Clements, Jr., was re-elected Secretary, and, on nomination of the Secretary, J. R. Cordon and J. C. Wortley were chosen Assistants.

The following Standing Committees were then appointed:

Public Worship—E. H. Pilcher, F. A. Blades, J. Blanchard Missions—The Presiding Elders.

Education—B. Cocker, J. M. Arnold, A. J. Bigelow.

Sunday Schools—Wm. Taylor, A. Allen, R. S. Pardington.

Temperance—Geo. Taylor, W. M. Triggs, I. Crawford.

Publication of Minutes—S. Clements, Jr., S. Reed, J. M. Arnold.

Post Offices—J. W. Crippen.

Tract Cause—Wm. Donnelly, J. Wesley, J. S. Sutton.

State of the Country—T. C. Gardner, J. A. Baughman, O. Whitmore, T. J. Joslin, J. F. Davidson.

Statistics—B. S. Taylor, J. H. Caster, R. H. Crane.

Parsonages—O. Sanborn, B. H. Hedger, J. Kilpatrick.

Periodicals—W. G. Stonex, S. P. Lee, E. Klumph.

At 11 o'clock Bishop Levi Scott arrived and took the Chair of the Conference.

II. Disciplinary Questions.

QUESTION 1. What Preachers are Admitted on Trial!

Answer. James F. Dorey, John Kelley, Francis W. Berry, George Wilson, Jerome B. Withey-5.

William Mothersill was re-admitted.

QUESTION 2. Who remain on Trial?

Answer. Charles L, Church, William H. Shier, George Stowe, Wesley Hagadone, Selah W. Noyes, William H. Benton, Francis West, Isaac C. Cochran, Benjamin M. Clark, Alfred F. Bourns—10.

QUESTION 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer. Jacob C. Wortley, William J. Clack, James H. Curnalia, William J. Campbell, Oliver J. Perrin, Joseph T. Hankinson, Thomas Nichols, William J. Johnston, James Armstrong—9.

QUESTION 4. Who are the Deacons?

Answer. Jacob C. Wortley, William J. Clack, James H. Curnalia, William J. Campbell, Oliver J. Perrin, Joseph T. Hankinson, Thomas Nichols, William J. Johnston, James Armstrong, Thomas Stalker, Barton S. Taylor, Alanson Herrick, Squire E. Warren, Lucius S. Tedman, Thomas G. Potter, Samuel Bird, Menzo S. Leet, Samuel P. Vandoozer, Silas P. Murch, W. M. Triggs—20.

QUESTION 5. Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?

Answer. George W. Lowe, Daniel W. Hammond, Rayner S. Pardington' George W. Owen, James R. Corden, Rufus H. Crane, Jesse B. Russell—7.

Arthur Edwards, Jr., was elected, but because of his absence as Chaplain of the First Regiment of Michigan Infantry, he was not ordained at the Conference.

QUESTION 6. Who have located this year?

Answer. Henry Carlton, Robert Johnson, Jesse B. Russell, William Tuttle. Silas P. Warner-5.

^{*} Ordained this year.

QUESTION 7. Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

Answer. William Todd, J. E. Parker, Andrew Bell, Robert Triggs, John Gray, James Webster, E. Steele, Jacob Dobbins, John Pugh—9.

Question 8. Who have been expelled from the connection this year?

Answer, None.

Question 9. Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?

Answer. John J. Gridley.

Question 10. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

Answer. Their names were all called over before the Conference, their character examined and passed.

QUESTION 11. Who have died this year?

Answer. None.

Question 12. What is the number of church members and probationers?

Answer. Members, 14,187; probationers, 1,585.

QUESTION 13. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowances on the circuits?

Question 14. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

 This

amount has been distributed as follows	s:		
To Rev. Wm. Todd	649 M)	
To Rev. Andrew Bell			
To Rev. Ebenezer Steele.			
To Rev. Robert Triggs.			
To Rev. James Webster			
To Rev. John Gray			
To Rev. Jacob Dobbins			
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	 \$46 00		
Mrs. Collins, from General Fund\$5			
" Parkhurst Fund			
	\$57 50		
Mrs. Watson, from General Fund			
" Parkhurst Fund			
	 \$16 00		
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Fund\$3			
" from Parkhurst Fund	3 (0)		
Children of R. Goodale, from General Fund. \$1			
" Parkhurst Fund	1 73		
	\$17 48		
		\$633	48

Question 15. Where are the Preachers stationed this year?

ANSWER.

DETROIT DISTRICT.

M. HICKEY, P. E.

Woodward Avenue—J. M. Arnold.
Congress Street—O. Sanborn.
Lafayette Street—J. C. Wortley.
Seventh Street—J. W. Kellogy.

Trenton—S. L. Ramsdell.

Wyandotte—George Wilson.
Lee Chapel—T. Stalker.

Flat Rock—R. C. Crene. Wayne—B. H. Hedger.

F. W. May, Chaplain Second Michigan Infantry. W. C. Way, Chaplain Twenty-fourth Michigan Infantry.

Belleville and Sheldon's-H.N. Brown.
Plymouth—S. E. Warren.
Pontiac—S. Clements, Jr.
Birmingham—H. Hood.
Farmington—W. Donnelly.
Northville—W. Mahon.
Commerce—T. Wakelin.
Southfield—A. Minnis.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.

T. H. PILCHER, P. E.

Ann Arbor—B. Cocker.
Dixboro—J. Blanchard.
Ypsilanti—S. Recd.
Augusta—R. R. Richards.
Oakville—G. W. Oven.
Unadilla—R. McConnell.
Henrietta—W. M. Triggs, one to be supplied.
South Lyon—C. M. Anderson, G. Stowe

Milford—S. S. Littlefield.
Brighton—J. O. Bancroft.
Pinckney—J. S. Sutton.
Dexter—D. C. Jacokes.
Chelsea and Lima—W. H. Sheir, A.
F. Bourns.
Saline—J. Levington.
Grass Lake—J. F. Davidson.
North Lake—S. P. Vandoozer.

T. C. Gardner, Agent American Bible Society.

D. B. Tracy, Chaplain First Michigan Engineers and Mechanics.

George Taylor, Chaplain in the Army.

ADRIAN DISTRICT.

GEO. SMITH, P. E.

Adrian—F. A. Blades.
Tecumseh—E. R. Hascall.
Clinton—L. H. Dean.
Manchester—A. C. Shaw.
Napoleon—O. J. Perrin.
Franklin—W. Q. Burnett.
Rome—S. C. Stringham, D. W. Hammond.
Hudson—J. H. Burnham.

Medina—E. H. Brockway.
Morenci—W. G. Stonex.
Fairfield—J. F. Dorey.
Palmyra and Blissfield—J. W. Holt.
Petersburg—J. Wesley.
Bedford—S. W. Noyes.
Monroe—L. G. York.
Dundee—D. A. Curtis.
Ridgeway—J. G. Whiteomb.

OWOSSO DISTRICT.

F. W. WARREN, P. E.

Owosso and Bennington—J. T. Hankinson.

Corunna—I. Crawford.

Middlebury-To be supplied.

Perry-J. G. Kern.

Byron-J. H. Caster.

Oak Grove-S. P. Lec.

Fentonville-J. Armstrong.

Hartland—E. B. Prindle, one to be supplied.

Howell—A. R. Bartlett.

Fowlerville—J. Kilpatrick.

Ingham-F. Brittan.

Williamston-J. H. Curnalia.

New Haven-J. R. Cordon.

Chessaning-W. H. Benton.

FLINT DISTRICT.

T. J. JOSLIN, P. E.

Court Street- W. H. Perrine.

Garland Street-O. Whitmore.

South Flint-W. Birdsall.

Flushing-T. Seelye.

Genesee- W. Mothersill.

East Saginaw-H. O. Parker.

Saginaw City-R. S. Pardington.

Midland-M. S. Leet.

A. Edwards, Chaplain First Michigan Infantry.

J. S. Smart, Chaplain Twenty-third Michigan Ifnantry.

Tuscola—C, L. Church.
Watrousville—A. Herrick.
Forest—L. S. Tedman.
Goodrich—J. B. Varnum.
Holly—I. C. Cochran.

Grand Blanc-J. W. Crippen.

Bay City-E. E. Caster.

ROMEO DISTRICT.

J. RUSSELL, P. E.

Romeo-S. Calkins.

Mt. Clemens- W. M. Hevener.

Utica and Stoney Creek-J. R. Noble,

F. W. Berry.

Washington-A. Gec.

Oakland-T. C. Higgins.

Oxford-A. Allen.

Lapeer-W. Taylor.

B. F. Pritchard, Chaplain in the Army.

North Branch-W. Hagadone.

Almont-S. Bessey.

Dryden-G. N. Belknap.

Armada-S. Bird.

Chesterfield-W. J. Johnston.

Hadley—L. Mitchell.

Clarkston-C. Mosher.

PORT HURON DISTRICT.

W. E. BIGELOW, P. E.

Port Huron-A. J. Bigelow.

Marvsville-J. Kelley.

St. Clair-W. Benson.

Newport-G. W. Lowe.

Newport—G. W. Loue.

Algonac-I. W. Donelson.

Columbus—I. H. Camburn.

Memphis—B. M. Clark.

Brockway-T. Nichols.

Ruby-T. G. Potter.

Lakeport-W. J. Campbell.

Lexington-B. S. Taylor.

Port Sanilac and Forester-W. J.

Clack.

Huron City-F. West.

Sand Beach-Jerome B. Withey.

Harrisville-To be supplied.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT.

R. BIRD, P. E.

Sault Ste Marie—To be supplied. Iroquois Point—To be supplied. Marquette—P. O. Johnson. Kewawenon—S. P. Murch. Houghton—W. Fox. Eagle Harbor—E·Klumph.

Clifton—J. A. Baughman.
Ontonagon—R. H. Grane.
Minnesota Mine—G. I. Betts.
Bay DeNoquette, Hancock, Oneota,
Superior City, Bayfield—To be
supplied.

Question 16. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

ANSWER. At Romeo, Macomb County.

Time not given; but the Conference respectfully asked the Board of Bishops to fix it one week later in the season than the present year.

III. Course of Study and Committees of Examination.

1. FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL.

STUDIES.—English Grammar, Modern Geography, True's Logic, Newman's Rhetoric.

Committee .- William Donnelly, Richard McConnell, William Benson.

2. FOR MEMBERSHIP AND ORDERS.

FIRST YEAR.

STUDIES.—Bible, as to Doctrines; Watson's Institutes—First part; Wesley's Christian Perfection; Fletcher's Appeal; Clark's Mental Discipline; Essay or Sermon.

Committee .- W. H. Perrine, H. O. Parker, H. N. Brown, E. H. Brockway.

SECOND YEAR.

Studies.—Bible, as to Sacraments; Watson's Institutes—Second part; Peck's Christian Perfection; Fletcher's Christian Perfection; Strictland's Manual of Biblical Literature; Methodist Discipline; Mitchell's Ancient Geography; Essay or Sermon.

Committee .- F. A. Blades, Erastus Klumph, D. W. Hammond, S. L. Ramsdell

THIRD YEAR.

Studies.—Bible, as to Chronology; Watson's Institutes—Third part; Butler's Analogy; Perk's Rule of Faith; Hibbard on Baptism; Ruter's Church History; Blair's Lectures on Rhetoric; Hedger's Logic; Essay or Sermon.

Committee .-- Seth Reed, G. I. Betts, J. O. Bancroft, Samuel Bessey.

FOURTH YEAR.

Studies.—Review of the whole Course; Watson's Institutes—Fourth part; Clande's Essay; Horne's Introduction (abridged); Stewart's Mental Philosophy; Essay or Sermon.

Committee .- J. M. Arnold, L. C. York, W. G. Stonex, William Fox.

3. LOCAL PREACHERS.

FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

STUDIES.—Bible, as to Doctrines and Sacraments; Watson's Institutes—First and Second parts; Wesley's Christian Perfection; Fletcher's Appeal; Methodist Discipline; English Grammar; Modern Geography.

Committee .-- John Levington, Alfred Allen.

FOR ELDER'S ORDERS.

STUDIES.--Review of Previous Course; Bible, as to History; Watson's Institutes--Third and Fourth parts; Essay or Sermon.

Committee-D. C. Jacokes, C. M. Anderson.

Resolved, That the Committees of Examination, and the Classes for Membership and Orders in the Conference, be and they are hereby required to meet at the place where the Conference is to be held, on the day preceding the one on which the session is to commence, at 9 o'clock A. M.

IV. Missionary.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Peesident--J. M. ARNOLD, Secretary--S. S. LITTLEFIELD, VIce-President--SAMUEL BESSEY. Treasurer--L. C. YORK.

Managers.

H. N. Brown, M. S. Leet, R. S. Pardington. H. O. Parker, Hiram Hood, J. R. Noble.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

DETROIT DISTRICT, Cr. \$1,366 50.

Woodward Avenue-J. M. Arnold, \$420. Contributed by the congregation, \$320; D. Preston, S. S. Taff, John Robertson, H. E. Arnold, Silas Farmer, Jesssie Knight, Anna Clapp, Jennie Merrick, Cornelia Cook and Miss Palmer were constituted life members of the Parent Society. Julius D. Morton life director of

the same. Contributed by the Sabbath School, \$100, to constitute Walter Dean, James E. Wallace, Anna H. Clapp, Minnie Sales, S. M. Wells, Mrs. H. R. Johnson, Washington Throop, Jennie M. Gillmore, Sarah Bellman, Jeremiah Oaks, life members Conference Missionary Society.

Congress Street—O. Sanborn, \$109. The following persons to be made life members of Parent Society: C. Pelgrim, Wm. Maskill, Aaron Fisher and John Dean. Heziah Harvey and Julia Hubbert to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Lafayette Street.—S. Reed, \$82 32. Collected by the Sunday School, \$41 32. The following to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society: H. Colclough, J. W. Willets, Miss E. Bramin, Miss E. Irving, W. P. Hoit, E. R. Reed. Mr. Holmes life member Parent Society.

Walnut Street-J. W. Kellogg, \$26 75. Miss Ellen Luscomb, J. Rattenberry, and Lucinda Morris, to be made life members Conference Missionary Society.

Trenton-S. L. Ramsdell, \$75.

Wyandotte-J. Levington, \$14 50. Collected by Miss Elizabeth Stewart, Miss Eliza Henry and Mrs. Frances Mason.

Lee Chapel—T. Stalker, \$70. Henrietta A. Turner, Dinah E. Lamb and Caroline Barr to be made life members of the Parent Society.

Flat Rock—T. Wakelin, \$65 29. Collected by Miss Ellen M. Garretson and Miss Ellen C. Merrill, \$20 52; Miss Mary Hitchens and Miss Sarah E. Knight, \$6 24; Miss Martha L. Wells and Miss Meranda Carr, \$13 25; Miss Hellen Hawley and Miss Ella Littlefield, \$10; Miss Phillis Brighton, \$5 18; Paid by Mrs. Rachel Littlefield, \$10. Garret Garretson and Rev. T. Wakelin to be made life members of the Parent Missionary Society. Cyrus Littlefield and Francis Hawley to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society. The ten dollars paid by Mrs. R. Littlefield to be applied to aid in the education of the one hundred orphan children now under the supervision of Rev. W. Butler, in India, in tracts and books from the Sunday School Union.

Wayne—B. H. Hedger, \$42. To constitute Mary J. Harrison, Mary A. Rounds and Julia Bowles life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Belleville and Sheldon's—R. C. Crane, \$201 06. Belleville and French Landing Female Missionary Society, \$51; Belleville Sunday School Missionary Society, collected by Anna B. Boice, \$10; French Landing, collected by Miss Mary A. Wood, \$17 02. Belleville, collected by Miss Lydia Fish, \$3 54; collected by Miss R. Boice, \$2. Sheldon's, collected by Miss M. E. Curtis, \$25 25; collected by Miss Mary A. Babcock, \$16 75; collected by Miss H. F. Robinson, \$2 86; public collection, \$7 02; Sunday School Missionary Society, collected by Miss Madilla Babcock, \$3 74; Horner's Female Missionary Society, \$60; Horner's Sunday School Missionary Society, \$1 88. John Hoffman to be made a life member of Parent Missionary Society, and the following Life members of the Conference Missionary Society: Miss M. E. Curtis, Miss M. A. Babcock, Miss M. Babcock, Miss A. B. Boice, Miss M. A. Wood, Peter Riggs, "Thomas Wood, Rev

S. P. Hewitt, Mrs. Bargart, Mrs. Harriet Shuart, Miss Charlotte Randolf, Lucy Winters, Mrs. Esther L. Horner, Mary Ann Alban, Sarah Dickinson, Orrin P. Felt, William Alban and Miss Lydia Fish.

Plymouth—W. C. Way, \$53. Collected by the Church at the Ridge, \$15 37; Ridge Sunday School, \$10; Mrs. A. McCluar, \$13 03; Mrs. Way, \$9 60; public collection, \$5 64. The following persons to be constituted Life members of the Conference Missionary Society: Mrs. Laura Halstead, Miss Jane Lewis, L. K. Overshier and Mrs. Holbrook.

Pontiac—S. Clements, Jr., \$32 55. Sunday School collections, \$18 05; public collection, \$14 50. John C. Hall, Matilda Going and Jennie C. Harris to be constituted Life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Birmingham—S. E. Warren, \$55. Birmingham Juvenile Society, \$20. Geo. M. Bassett and Alanson Brooks to be made Life members of Conference Missionary Society; Rachel Millard, \$20, to be made life member of Parent Missionary Society; Augusta Chapman, \$11, to be made life member of Conference Missionary Society; Andrew Ebing, \$4.

Farmington—E. R. Hascall, \$61 67. Collected as follows: Miss Harriet T. Horton, \$10 50; Miss Julia P. Smith, \$13 52; Miss Clarie E. Ward, \$8; Miss Alma E. Thayer, \$5; Miss Sarah Jane Walters, \$5 75; Mrs. Harriet Winslow, \$7; Mrs. Laura Lamb, \$4 25; Sabbath School, \$2 76; public collection, \$4 89. The following persons to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society: Miss Harriet T. Horton, Miss Julia P. Smith, Mrs. Harriet Winslow, Miss Clarie E. Ward, Miss Anna E. Thayer, Miss Sarah Jane Walters.

Southfield—C. L. Church, \$20 08, less three dollars not received by the Treasurer. Miss Sarah Hutchins and Josie E. Dains to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Northville—H. N. Brown, \$17.21. Collected by Miss Mary Gardner, to make her a life member of Conference Missionary Society, \$10. H. N. Brown, \$1.41; Adda Taylor, \$2.25; Martha Hathaway, \$1.50; collection, \$2.05.

Commerce.—T. C. Higgins, \$31; Jacob and Arville Hiller, \$20, to constitute Sarah A. Robinson and Harriet Newell life members of Conference Missionary Society.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT, \$498 36.

Ann Arbor-F. A. Blades, \$35.

Dixboro-R. R. Richards, -.

Ypsilanti—B. Cocker, \$85 50. Public collection, \$65 50. To constitute Esther Newton life member of Parent Missionary Society, \$20.

Augusta-J. Dwelle, \$23 25. Henry Colby and William Coller, at Brick Church, \$20, each to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society; public collection, Mooresville, \$3 25.

Oakville—G. W. Owen, \$36 07. Collected by Charlotte Davenport, \$7; Lucena Welch, \$4 45; Electa Pasco, \$10; Amanda Gates, \$14 50. Miss Lydia Manning to be made life member of Conference Missionary Society, and Mrs. J. E. Owen life member of Parent Missionary Society.

Unadilla—Wm. H. Shier, \$13 50. Miss Marietta Williams to be made life member of Conference Missionary Society.

Henrietta—S. P. Vandoozer, \$11 96. Sent to Chicago, \$3. Contributed as follows: S. P. Vandoozer, \$2, A. Arnold, A. Dibble and S. B. Morehouse, 50 cents each, \$1 50; J. B. Cadwell, \$1; from other sources, \$6 96. Mrs. Julia A. Vandoozer to be made a life member of Conference Missionary Society.

South Lyon-George Foot, \$63 09. Lucy A. Gensman, \$20, to be made life member Parent Missionary Society. Nancy L. Tindal, Mary L. Bayland, Eliza Leland and Elenor P. Calkins, to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Milford—George Taylor, \$60 32. Sunday School Missionary Society, \$11 39, to make Joseph Openo life member of Conference Missionary Society. Mary Wallace, Elizabeth A. Potts and Susan Crawford to be made life members Conference Missionary Society. Elizabeth M. Pearson to be made a life member of the Parent Missionary Society.

Brighton—J. O. Bancroft, \$46 75. Sent to Five Point Mission, \$2; J. O. Bancroft, to constitute Sarah H. Bancroft a life member of Conference Missionary Society, \$10; W. Hicks, \$3; S. Hicks, \$5; P. Hicks, \$1 50; E. Ross, \$5; L. W. Wells, William Brigham, William Tunis, E. Withey, Mrs. Lyon, R. Barns, O. R. Van Amburg, William Naylor, each \$1, \$8; A. Rogers, M. Munger and W. Beach, each 50 cents, \$1 50. Mrs. Sally Hicks, Mrs. Anna Withey and Miss E. Ross, to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Pinckney-J. S. Sutton, \$27 40.

Dexter-J. Blanchard, \$10.

Lima—R. McConnell, \$50 75. The following persons to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society: Lucy Ackley, Martha Titus, Sarah Davison, Sally A. Overacker and Kittie J. Dancer. Alletta F. Boynton was entitled to a certificate last year.

Chelsea—C. M. Anderson, \$20. Miss Alice Miller and Miss Martha Gilbert to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Saline—J. F. Davidson, \$21 20. Collected as follows Mrs. J. H. Brown, \$8; Mrs. J. A. Richards, 75 cents; Mrs. A. D. Sumner, \$3 25; Mrs. Edgar Rigers, \$2; Miss Sarah Sheal, \$3 20; Miss Sarah Taylor, \$4. Rev. David Brown to be constituted a life member of the Parent Missionary Society.

ADRIAN DISTRICT, \$712 06.

Adrian—J. A. Baughman, \$131 31. Society, \$90; Sunday School, \$41 31; Tecumseh—A. R. Bartlet, \$28.

Clinton-S. W. Noyes, \$3.

Manchester—W. Donnelly, \$142-35. Collected by Miss Alice D. Covey, \$36; Miss Sarah Rowe, \$36-65; Miss Cornelia H. Moore, \$24-05; Miss Susie M. Carr. \$20-25; Miss Amanda Surdam, \$13-65; Miss Emma J. Wheeler, \$6-75; Miss Carrie Owen, \$5. Miss Alice D. Covey, Miss Sarah Rowe, Miss Cornelia H. Moore, Miss Susie Carr, Mrs. Eliza Donnelly, each to be made life members of

Parent Missionary Society. Miss Amanda Surdam, Emma J. Wheeler, Mrs. Priscilla L. Rowe and Mrs. Covey to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Napoleon-C. Mosher, \$1 50.

Franklin—W. Q. Burnett, \$54. Collected by Mrs. Harriet Edwards, \$15; Mrs. S. J. Stout \$13; Mr. Charles Edwards, \$14; Miss Esther Delong, \$10; Mrs. Nancy A. Wells, \$2. The first four to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Rome—S. S. Littlefield, \$76 71. Collected by Mrs. Electa Sager, at Rome Center, \$6 62; Miss Cornelia M. Stoddard, North Rome, \$18 08; Miss Elizabeth Crumney, Round Lake, \$20 35; Miss Polly Smith, North Rollin, \$18 15; Miss Harriet Smith, Addison, \$3 90; Miss Hannah P. Pearson, West Woodstock, \$3; Miss Cordelia M. Wyman, Prospect Hill, \$3 38; Miss Eliza A. Weatherbead, Springville, \$6 38. Mrs. Electa Sager, Miss Cornelia M. Stoddard, Miss Elizabeth Crumney, Miss Polly Smith, Miss Harriet Smith, Miss Eliza A. Weatherbead and Daniel C. Stone, to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Hudson—J. H, Burnham, \$30. Mrs, E. J. Russell and Mrs. Polly Goodwill to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Medina—E. H. Brockway, \$60. The following persons to be constituted life members of the Conference Missionary Society: Mrs. Sarah Deline, Mrs. Angeline Graves, Miss Sarah Asby, Miss Adelia Moore, Miss Polly A. Cross, Mrs. Frances A. Hill.

Morenci-J. G Whitcomb, \$40. Mrs. E. Whitcomb to be made life member of the Parent Society, and J. P. Cawley and S. D. Wilson to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Fairfield-J. F. Dorey, \$13 94.

Palmyra and Blissfield—D. W. Hammond, \$31. Collected by Mrs. E. M. Pierce; \$7; Mrs. M. E. Freeman, \$14; Miss M. M. Cone, \$10. Each to be constituted a life member of the Conference Missionary Society.

Petersburg-W. G. Stonex, \$3.

Bedford—J. W. Holt, \$27.25. Bedford, by Mrs. Mary Clarey's collection, \$10; Seeley's, \$9.50; Ida, by Miss Mary McFetridge's, \$7.75. Mrs. Esther Seeley and Mrs. Minerva Clarey to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Monroe—L. C. York, \$20. Contributed by the Sunday School, \$8 28; Mrs. L. C. York, \$10; Mrs. Betsey A. Judson, 50 cents; from other sources less than fifty cents each, \$1 22. Mrs. L. C. York to be made life member of Conference Missionary Society.

Ridgeway—John Wesley, \$50. Miss Emeline Wheeler and Matilda Darling to be made life members of Parent Missionary Society, and Miss Ann Wilks life member of Conference Missionary Society.

Dundee-D. A. Curtis, ---

FLINT DISTRICT, \$389 40.

Missionary money sent to Flint District by mistake of Bishop, returned by J. S. Smart, \$100.

Court Street—T. J. Joslin, \$31. Collected by Miss ulison. R\$22; Miss Blades, \$9 00.

Garland Street-I. Crawford, \$8.

South Flint-H. Hood, \$37.

Flushing—R. H. Crane, \$15. Miss Hattie Allen's collection, \$7.25; Miss Eliza W. Burt's, \$2.86; Miss Martha P. Turner's, \$2.50. Mrs. Laura A. Crane to be constituted a life member of Conference Missionary Society.

Genesee-G. N. Belknap, \$8 34.

East Saginaw-H. O. Parker, \$3.

Saginaw City-R. S. Pardington, \$5 50.

Midland - M. S. Leet, \$14. Mrs. Laura Higgins to be made life member of the Conference Missionary Society.

Bay City—J. C. Wortley, \$35. Sabbath School Missionary Society, \$16 16; monthly missionary prayer meeting, \$18 84. Charles Monroe, Miss Cornelia Chillson and Miss Frances Corey to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

Tuscola-W. Birdsall, -...

Watrousville-J. Hamilton, -

Forest-L. S. Tedman, ---.

Hadley—A. Herrick, \$21 87. John Mills to be made life member of the Parent Society.

Goodrich—J. W. Crippen, \$25. Miss Eliza D. Townsend and Miss Nettie Greenfield to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Clarkston—J. B. Varnum, \$21 43. Miss Mary E. Ogden and Mary F. Canell to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Holly-I. C. Cochran, \$20.

Grand Blanc—T. Seelye, \$64 30. Collected at Burton Church, by Miss M. Parrish, \$619; Miss Mary Pratt, \$1503; Miss H. Ester, \$1125. Public collection, \$239; Groveland Church, \$10; Grand Blanc Church, \$1363; South Grand Blanc, Miss C. A. Curtis' Collection, \$582. Mr, Thomas Cartwright, J. T. Allen, Miss Harriet Ester and Miss Elizabeth Abbot to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society, and Mrs. Mary Pratt life member of the Parent Missionary Society.

ROMEO DISTRICT, \$215 99.

Romeo—S. Calkins, \$35 38. Collected by Miss Rosetta Nye, \$7; Miss Amretta Shelp, \$10; Margarette Tinsman, \$10; Miss Hattie Pool, \$5 25; donated by Albert Hovey, \$2. Miss Amretta Shelp and Margarette Tinsman to be made members of Conference Missionary Society. Rev. R. Wright, was entitled to a certificate two years ago.

Mt. Clemens—Wm. Taylor, \$11 77. Sunday School Missionary Society, \$3 40; missionary and public collections, \$8 37.

Utica-B. F. Pritchard, §3.

Stoney Creek-A. Gee, \$10.

Washington-J. R. Noble, \$16 10.

Oakland-A. Minnis, \$18 27.

Oxford—A. Allen, \$37. Collected by Maria G. Scott, \$14; Eliza J. Killam, \$12; Mary C. Bird, \$10. Each of the above to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society. Presented by Mrs. Phillips, \$1.

Lapeer—Wm. M. Hevener, \$20. Frank Lombert and Elizabeth Clark to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

North Branch-W. J. Johnston, ----

Almont—S. Bessey, \$32. Mrs. Laura Harris and Miss Julia Miller to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Dryden—L. Mitchell, \$11 47. Collected by Miss Phila Cady, \$10; others, \$1 47. Miss Phila Cady to be made life member of the Conference Missionary Society.

Armada—B. M. Clark, \$14. Caroline Chamberlain to be made life member of Conference Missionary Society.

New Baltimore-John Pugh. \$7.

PORT HURON DISTRICT, \$155 36.

Port Huron-Orrin Whitmore, \$15 12.

Vicksburg—S. Bird, \$25. Collected by Hannah E. Williams, \$10; Amelia S. Woodard, \$10. Each to be made life member of Conference Missionary Society. Collected by Miss E. Dunn, \$5.

St. Clair - A. J. Bigelow, \$12 30.

Algonac-Wm. Benson, \$12.

Columbus-I. H. Camburn, \$5 28.

Memphis - A. C. Shaw, \$18 16.

Brockway-T. Nichols, ---.

Ruby—T. G. Potter, \$47 50. Mrs. Elenor Cruickshank to be made life member of Parent Society. Mrs. Barbara Gardner and Miss Matilda Beach to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Lakeport-J. G. Kern, \$1 50.

Lexington—B. S. Taylor, \$14 50. Collected by Miss Nellie Long, \$5; Miss Annie E. Howe, \$5 25; Miss Abelany Cooly, \$3; Miss Mariam Carrington, \$1 25. Miss Nellie Long and Miss Annie E. Howe to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Port Sanilac and Forrester-G. W. Lowe, §4.

Sand Beach-W. J. Clack, ---.

Willow Creek-W. J. Campbell, ---.

Harrisville-Robert Johnson, ---

OWOSSO DISTRICT, \$112 99.

Owosso-E. E. Caster, \$1.

Corunna-I. W. Donelson, 90 cents.

Middlebury-J. B. Russell, \$3.

Bennington-E. B. Prindle, \$3 00.

Perry—J. Kilpatrick, \$21. Ella Phelps and Elizabeth Miller to be made life members of Conference Missionary Society.

Byron—W. M. Triggs, \$10 50. Collected by Miss Eliza Polly, \$5 50; Mrs. Eliza Miner, \$5. Miss Eliza Polly to be made life member of Conference Missionary Society.

Oak Grove-S. P. Lee, \$13 83.

Fentonville-P. O. Johnson, \$11.

Hartland-O. H. P. Green, \$5 90.

Howell—L. H. Dean, \$26. Collected by Mary Wing, \$3; Mrs. Carpenter, \$23. Mrs. L. H. Dean to be made a member of Parent Missionary Society.

Fowlerville-J. Armstrong, \$5 05.

Ingham-J. H. Caster, \$5 25.

Williamston-F, Brittan, \$1 30.

New Haven-J. H. Curnalia, \$5 25.

Chessaning-J. T. Hankinson, ---.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT, \$30 00.

Houghton-W. Fox, \$12. Brother Webb to be constituted a life member of Conference Missionary Society.

Clifton-E. Klumph, \$1.

Ontonagon and Maple Grove-J. R. Cordon, \$2.

Minesota Mine-G. I. Betts, \$15.

Refunded to Treasurer, by S. Clements, Jr., Chairman on Publication of Minutes last year, the amount drawn, \$50.

Conference Missionary Collection, \$140 76.

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

Detroit District, Cash. Cash and goods applied.	365	11	ക 1 967	50
Ann Arbor District, Cash		36	\$1.501	30
			\$498	36
Adrian District, Cash			\$712	06
Flint District, Cash	\$409		\$409	44
Romeo District, Cash	\$215		\$215	99

Port Huron District, Cash	\$155 36		
		\$155	36
Owosso District, Cash	\$112 99	\$112	qc
Lake Superior District, Cash	\$30 00	Ф11~	
	т	\$30	00
RECEIPTS.			
By Cash from appointments		\$3,024	59
Money and goods applied			
Conference Missionary Collection		140	76
Refunded by J. S. Smart		100	00
Refunded by S. Clements, Jr.		50	00
Notes and cash in treasury last year	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	26	37
Total	-	\$3,698	83
To Parent Society		ക്ര വേദ	AC
Publication of Minutes			00
Exchange and worthless bills			0
Money and goods applied			
Notes and cash in Treasury			25
Total	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$3,698	83
	L. C. YORK, T	reasure r .	
APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1862.	•		
Domestic Missions.			
Seventh Street Charge		. \$100	00
owosso district.			
To Presiding Elder			
To Chessaning	50 00		
		\$150	יט ל
FLINT DISTRICT.	ሐደ በ በር		
To Watrousville			
To Midland		\$100	0
PORT HURON DISTRICT.			
To Presiding Elder	\$100 00)	
To Sand Beach	40 00		
To Brockway	30 00		

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT.				
To Presiding Elder	\$350	00		
To Ontonagon	150	00		
To Marquette	30	00		
To Eagle Harbor		00		
			\$680	00
Total to Domestic Missions			\$1,200	00
Indian Missions.				
For back taxes on mission property	\$15	12		
To Superintendent of Indian work	200	00		
To Missionary at Kewawenon	134	88		
To Interpreter at Kewawenon	50	00		
To Missionary at Iroquois Point		00		
•			\$700	00
Total appropriated to Missions within the Conference.		• • • •	\$1,900	00
Total collected for Missions within the Conference			3,698	83
Excess of collections over appropriations			. 1,798	2 00

CONFERENCE RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Presiding Elder of Lake Superior District be, and he is hereby instructed to superintend the management of the Mission Farm at Kewawenon, and that the Missionary be required to present vouchers coming into his hands on account of said farm.

MISSION AUDITING COMMITTEE.

WILLIAM BENSON, for one year.

F. A. Blades, for two years.

H. N. Brown, for three years.

ANNUAL MISSIONARY SERMON.

To preach the Annual Missionary Sermon—Rev. A. J. Bigelow; alternate Rev. A. R. Bartlett.

V. Educational.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Vice-President Sunday School Union-REV. O. WHITMORE.

Conference Sunday School Union.

President—J. BLANCHARD, Vice-President—T. J. JOSLIN,

Secretary—J. W. KELLOGG, Treasurer—J. O. BANCROFT.

Managers.

T. SEELYE,.
ADAM MINNIS,

J. B. Russell, J. G. Whitcomb. WILLIAM DONNELLY, WM. TAYLOR.

General Sunday School Committee.

Detroit District—Rev. O. Sanborn, J. S. Vernor.

Ann Arbor District—Rev. Bens. Cocker, W. W. Whedon.

Adrian District—Rev. E. R. Hascall, J. Jordon.

Owosso District—Rev. A. R. Bartlett, M. L. Stevens.

Flint District—Rev. H. O. Parker, Wm. Patterson.

Romeo District—Rev. J. R. Noble, J. A. Tinsman.

Port Huron District—Rev. B. S. Taylor, Henry Fish.

Lake Superior District—Rev. Wm. Fox, Alex. Campbell.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The reports of Sunday Schools from various charges afford gratifying evidence of increasing interest and attention to this vital institution of the Church.

There is an increase over last year in every item except three. The decrease of three in the number of schools, and of one hundred and fifty-six officers and teachers, may be accounted *for* in the fact that no reports have been presented from five charges.

In the collections for the Sunday School Union there is a decrease of \$432 55. This may in part be accounted for from the fact that last year the "Anniversary of the Parent Society" was held in Detroit, when \$381 was contributed to the funds of the Sunday School Union. This would still leave a deficiency of more than \$50. Only twenty-seven charges have reported collections for the Sunday School Union, leaving one hundred and twenty-four charges that have taken no collection. We find, however, the gratifying increase in the expenses of the schools of \$983 78, and in the number of volumes in the libraries of 2,362. There is, also, an increase over last year of eighty-three in the number of conversions, showing that the importance of the early conversion of the children is to some extent appreciated by the Church.

In view of the foregoing facts, we recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That we deem it the duty of every preacher in charge of a circuit or station to take up a collection for the Sunday School Union at every appointment.

A. ALLEN, WM. TAYLOR, R. S. PARDINGTON,

Commuttee.

Sunday School Statistics for 1862.

RECAPITULATION OF DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Sunday Schools. Officers and Teachers. Scholars.		Sunday Schools Officers and Teachers.		Number of Sunday Schools Officers and Teachers.		Volumes in Library.	Number of Bi- ble Classes.	Scholars in Infant Classes.	Expenses of the Schools.	Raised for S. S. Union.	S. S. Advocates taken.	Conversions.
Detroit	ETROIT 49		3,046	9,218	34	434	\$927 79	\$41 10	1,099	84				
ANN ARBOR	38	343	1,844	5,266	21	220	488 38	2 00	753	45				
ADRIAN	39	402	2,081	5,909	23	125	419 88	13 61	537	26				
Owosso	51	357	1,621	4,227	19	87	227 36	50	395	21				
FLINT	51	440	1,868	6,338	32	130	289 82	14 34	720	32				
Rомео	34	271	1,116	4,012	16	41	120 50	5 82	305	8				
PORT HURON	48	336	1,995	6,660	25	208	261 99	4 38	440	15				
LAKE SUPERIOR	9	105	425	1,814	21	36	110 00		55					
Total	319	2,807	13,996	43,444	191	1,281	\$2,845 72	\$81 73	4,304	251				
Last year	322	2,963	13,135	41,082	173	993	1,861 94	514 28	4,126	148				
Increase			861	2,362	18	288	983 78		178	83				
Decrease	3	156						432 55						

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Looking at the numbers and position of the M. E. Church in this State, it must be apparent that we have a large interest in the character and success of its various institutions of learning.

The cause of Education is vitally associated with the well-being of the nation and the prosperity of the Church of God. And it is an occasion of thankfulness and pride that our own State is so pre-eminent for its educational advantages. Our Union School system has no parallel. The provision for securing a class of thoroughly educated and disciplined teachers, through the agency of the State Normal Institution, is admirable and effective. And our State University is rapidly advancing in rivalry with the best Universities of the Eastern States.

It affords your Committee unfeigned pleasure to observe that, notwith-standing the disquietude and agitation which prevails in the land, our educational institutions have been vigorously sustained. The number of students has been diminished by enlistments, but not so much as might have been expected. The attendance at Albion College has been two hundred and ninety, and the Medical, Law, and Literary departments of the State University have been fuller than at any previous year.

We deem it right to call attention to the proposed change in the Constitution of the State, by which the election of the Regents of the University will be changed from the present mode of electing by districts, to the general State ticket. It is questionable whether abler men can be secured, or a better representation of the State attained by the change, and these, in our judgment, are the only objects which should justify any modification of existing provisions.

Your Committee would call special attention to the financial condition and prospects of the Albion College.

It is known to the friends of the Institution, that the Faculty, at their own proposal, have been laboring through the past year on reduced salaries This may be endured for one twelve months to meet an extraordinary emergency, but its continuance must impair the efficiency of the College. It is also useless to conceal the fact; the financial condition of the College is such that unless prompt and active measures are taken to secure a permanent endowment, this institution, which has been the pride of Methodism in this State, will soon be sadly crippled and must finally be abandoned. A result so calamitous is not to be even contemplated without a feeling of humiliation. If we permit the Albion College, which has been in all other respects a success, to go down under the pressure of financial embarrassment, it will be an abiding reproach. By the remembrance of its past usefulness, by our denominational honor, and by the duty we owe to the Church of God, we are bound to place this institution on a permanent basis. We would therefore recommend that a committee of five be appointed from this Conference, to confer with the Trustees of the College, on the propriety of making an effort this coming Conference year to secure an endowment fund, and that this committee shall be authorized in the name and on behalf of the Conference, to take final action on this question.

It is but natural that we should feel the deepest interest in the success of our own denominational institutions. A large proportion of the students in attendance on the schools and colleges of the State are from Methodist families, and we cannot conceal from ourselves the fact that those who are sent to denominational schools and colleges are in great danger, even without any direct effort on the part of the Faculty, of being weaned from their attachment to our Doctrines and Church Polity. We have had to lament such consequences already. And whilst we would not cherish a sectarian spirit, we regret that members of our own church should identify themselves with institutions of learning managed in the interest of other denominations, and send their sons and daughters there simply because they are in their own localities. Let us have our own Methodist College. Let us labor to make it one of the best in the State, and let us send our sons and daughters there.

We are pleased to note the prosperity of the Michigan Female College, and express our solicitude for its success.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. COCKER, J. M. ARNOLD, A. J. BIGELOW.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF ALBION COLLEGE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Detroit Annual Conference of the M. E. Church:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:-

The Trustees of the Albion College respectfully report that, notwithstanding the distracted state of the country, your institution has enjoyed comparative prosperity during the past year. The attendance has not been so large as usual, but the reduction on the roll is readily accounted for by the fact that so many young men have enlisted and gone into the army. One hundred and seventy-two ladies have been in attendance, and one hundred and eighteen gentlemen, making a total of two hundred and ninety. Five young ladies completed the Course of Study and received the Degree of Mistress of Science and the Arts.

The semi-annual examinations and commencement exercises of the year have been very satisfactory, comparing favorably with those of previous years. But little difficulty has been realized in the discipline of the institution. The moral bearing of the students, generally, and the religious character of many, are worthy of commendation.

A new Course of Study has been adopted, equal to that prescribed by the University of Michigan, and open to ladies as well as gentlemen. It is two-fold, Classical and Scientific, and students can, at their option, secure either the Baccalaureate or Scientific Degree. Classes in both departments have been already organized.

The current expenses of the institution are less than for many years past, the teachers and agent working on reduced salaries. These expenses have been promptly met, and the institution has no embarrassing liabilities. You are aware that the funds of the institution are gradually diminishing, and you have pledged your co-operation to the Trustees in an effort to augment them. The Trustees have not yet called upon the friends of the enterprise for assistance, but it is hoped that prosperity will soon return to the country, when the minds and hearts of the people may be enlisted in the great work of education, and our institution share largely in the benefits of Christian liberality.

Four vacancies occur in the Board of Trustees by expiration of terms of office—two of which are to be filled by your Conference.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

S. W. WALKER, President. T. H. SINEX, Secretary.

Trustees of Albion College elected this year. REVS. GEORGE SMITH and A. M. FITCH.

Trustees of the North-Western University.

Revs. T. C. Gardner, S, Rebd.

Visitors to Albion College.

REVS. W. G. STONEN, O. SANBORN, D. C. JACOKES, J. F. DAVIDSON, L. DAVIS, ESQ.

To Michigan Female College.

REVS. F. W. WARREN, T. J. JOSLIN, J. M. ARNOLD.

Committee on Endowment of Albion College.

REVS. W. E. BIGELOW, S. CALKINS, S. REED, HOM. JOHN OWEN and S. N. WARREN, Esq.

Committee on State Aid for Denominational Colleges.

REVS. S. CLEMENTS, JR., and M. HICKEY.

VI. Financial.

CONFERENCE FINANCIAL PLAN.

OF ALLOWANCES.

The Estimating Committee provided for in the Discipline (page 55), shall meet on third Friday after the close of each session of the Annual Conference, at 2 o'clock P. M., at a place designated by the last Quarterly Conference of the preceding year, and estimate the amount necessary to support the preachers, as required by the Discipline.

The Stewards and Leaders shall meet at the same time and place, or as soon thereafter as practicable, and apportion the amount to be raised to the different classes on the charge. The estimate and apportionment shall be submitted to the Quarterly Conference next ensuing, for approval or amendment.

The Quarterly Conference shall then district the charge, assigning to the several Stewards their particular districts. The Steward, or Stewards, of each district, in connection with the Class Leaders of the same, shall apportion the amount assigned to their district among the several members of the church within its bounds, and shall see, or cause to be seen, as soon as practicable, each member, and obtain his or her consent to such apportionment, or such part of it as he or she may be willing to pay, and to circulate a subscription among those who are not members of the church.

OF COLLECTIONS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Leader's meetings shall be held in all our charges and circuits, as well as stations, where it is at all practicable; and the amounts which have been collected by the Stewards and Leaders shall be paid over to a Treasurer chosen by the Leader's meeting. The amounts so collected shall be paid in liquidation of the preacher's claim, in the following order: First, traveling expenses; second, house rent; third, quarterly allowance.

In case no Leader's meetings are held, the duties herein devolved on such meetings shall be performed by the Quarterly Conference.

REPORTS TO QUARTERLY CONFERENCE, LOVE FEASTS AND CLASSES.

The amounts paid by the several classes shall be reported to the Quarterly Conference, each quarter, and the reports properly entered in the Steward's book under the direction of the Presiding Elders. Each Steward shall be responsible to the Quarterly Conference for proper, efforts to collect funds within his district.

The amounts paid by each class, the deficiency, if any, and the cause of such deficiency, if known, shall be reported to the church, in Love Feast, each quarter.

The Stewards shall see that a report of the amount expected from each member, the amount paid, and the deficiency, be made in each class at least once in each year, when each member, who is deficient, shall have the privilege of explaining the cause of his deficiency.

OF PRESIDING ELDERS' CLAIMS.

The Board of District Stewards shall apportion the claims of the Presiding Elders among the several charges of the district, according to their several ability, and the amount they usually pay their pastors, taking into account any peculiarities in the circumstances of any charge for the time being.

STEWARDS' REPORT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	Claim, in- cluding house rent.		Receipts.		Deficit.		Collec'n for	Claimants.
DETROIT DISTRICT. Woodward Avenue. Congress Street. Lafayette Street. Seventh Street. Trenton. Wyandotte Lee Chapel. Flat Rock. Wayne Belleville&Sheldons Plymouth Pontiac Birmingham Farmington Southfield Northville Commerce.	J. M. Arnold O. Sanborn Seth Reed J. W. Kellogg S. L. Ramsdell John Levington T. Stalker T. Wakelin S. L. Church R. C. Crane W. C. Way S. Clements, Jr. S. E. Warren E. R. Hascall C. C. Yemens H. N. Brown	\$1,000 1,275 700 900 600 475 600 540 500 550 750 460 510 360 540 435	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	1,275 700 900 609 475 600 540 500 498 550 480 750 460 510 360 470	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 94 00 81 00 00 00	51 19	06	\$60 15 3 3 17 6 13 6 4 20 7 4 8	
4		\$11,245	00	\$10,986	81	\$248	19	\$179	13

CHARGES.	NAMES.	Claim, in- cluding house rent.	Receipts.	Deficit.	Collec'n for Con. Claimants.
ANN ARBOR DIST	E. H. Pilcher, P. E.	\$ 750 00			
Ann Arbor Dixboro	F. A. Blades	1,000 00 500 00		160 00	\$1 17
Ypsilanti	B. Cocker	850 00	1	100 00	8 37
Augusta	J. J. Gridley	415 00			6 00
Oakville Unadilla	G. W. Owen	385 00 400 00		49 00	3 50 3 00
Henrietta	S. P. Vandoozer	380 00			5 00
"	George Stowe	130 00	100 00	30 00	
Milford	George Taylor	500 00			3 79
South Lyons	A. F. Bourns	460 00 150 00		10 00	11 30
New Hudson	Wm. Tuttle	100 00	110 00	10 00	
Brighton	J. O. Bancroft	485 00		****	4 46
Pinckney	J. S. Sutton	470 00 675 00		40 00	11 00 8 13
Lima	J. Blanchard	440 00		40 00	3 00
Chelsea	C. M. Anderson	575 00		121 79	5 09
Saline	J. F. Davidson	700 00			4 00
Grass Lake	S. P. Warner S. C. Stringham	700 00 350 00		150 00	2 00
Bible Agent	T. C. Gardner	1,000 00		100 00	~ 00
21020 8000	Total	\$11,245 00	\$9,641 21	\$763 79	\$79 81
ADRIAN DISTRICT	George Smith, P. E.	950 00		100 00	
Adrian	J. A. Baughman	800 00			7 55
Tecumseh	A. R. Bartlett	575 00		25 00	3 00
Clinton	S. S. Littlefield W. Donnelly	411 00 685 00		16 58	17 51
Manchester Napoleon	C. Mosher	410 00			5 85
Franklin	W. Q. Burnett	440 00	440 00		6 50
Rome	S. W. Noyes	160 00		1 66	2 82
Hudson	J. H. Burnham	650 00		1 00	8 00
Medina	E. H. Brockway	425 00	425 00		23 00
Morenci	J. G. Whitcomb	500 00			7 50
Fairfield					4.00
Palmyra and (Blissfield	D. W. Hammond	400 00			
Petersburg	W. G. Stonex	500 00			5 25
Bedford	J. W. Holt	350 00 700 00		1	6 50 1 00
Monroe	L. C. York D. A. Curtis	100 0	1		1 00
Dundee Ridgeway	John Wesley 3	575 00			
zorage way	Total	\$8,540 00	\$7,213 69	\$492 31	\$104 48
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Corunna	I. W. Donelson	500 00 210 00		1	
Middlebury	E. B. Prindle J. B. Russell	325 0	1		
Perry	J. Kilpatrick	335 0	335 00		6 00
Byron	Wm. M. Triggs	340 0			1 00 7 00
Oak Grove	S. P. Lee P. O. Johnson	450 00			F 00
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	L. H. Dean	575 00	575 00		3 25
Fowlerville	Jas. Armstrong J. H, Caster	400 00 465 00	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		4 45
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Garland Street	Isaac Crawford	450 00			2 00
South Flint	H. Hood	450 00 450 00		1 1	6 14 6 58
Flushing	R. H. Crane	380 00	370 00		4 32
Genesee East Saginaw	H. O. Parker	600 00	600 00		5 00
Saginaw City	R. S. Pardington	450 00			4 50
Midland	M. S. Leet	344 00		1	1 75
Bay City	J. C. Wortley	500 00			3 00
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Hadley	A. Herrick	450 00	375 00	75 00	
Goodrichville	J. W. Crippen	400 00			5 00
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Utica	F. B. Pritchard	500 00			1 00
Stoney Creek	A. Gee	375 00			2 00
Washington	J. R. Noble	425 00			5 00
Oakland	A. Minnis	500 00 465 00			1 50 6 35
Oxford Lapeer	W. M. Hevener	470 00	1	1	0 00
North Branch	W. J. Johnson	300 00			
Almont	S. Bessey	475 00	360 00	115 00	7 31
Dryden	L. Mitchell	400 00	280 00	120 00	1 66
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New Baltimore	Wm. Hagadone Sohn Pugh	300 00	190 00	110 00	3 00
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Vicksburg		475 00	1		6 30
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Newport	H. Carlton	455 00	155 04	55 00	0 00
	Wm. Benson	455 00			
Columbus	I. H. Camburn	400 00	11 323 01	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	0 00

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	Total	\$6,950 00	\$6.314 00	\$636 00	\$43 69
Mackinaw City Sault Ste Marie Iroquois Point Sugar Island Marquette Kewawenon Houghton Copper Harbor Blifton Ontonagon	S. P. Murch. Wm. Fox. E. Klumph J. R. Cordon G. I. Betts	500 00 700 00 550 00 325 00 800 00	500 00 700 00 550 00 320 00 800 00	5 00	1 00
	Total	\$3,575 00	\$3,542 00	\$33 00	\$3 00

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

Stewards' estimate of claim	\$2000 00
Apportionment:	
Detroit District	\$400 00
Ann Arbor District	400 00
Adrian District	400 00
Owosso District	125 00
Flint District	250 00
Romeo District	200 00
Port Huron District	125 00
Lake Superior District	
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STATISTICS OF DETROIT CONFERENCE FOR 1862-Continued.

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Members.	Deaths.	Proba- tioners.	Local Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parson- ages.	Probable Value.	For Conference Claimants.	For Missionary Society.	For Tract Society.	For Bible Society.	For S. S. Union.	Schools.	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library.
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B. S. TAYLOR, Chairman of Committee on Statistics.

VII. Miscellaneous.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

To every thoughtful observer of events whose heart is in sympathy with his race, the current history of our country presents facts for contemplation of the most painful character, and questions for solution of the deepest interest. The annals of the past, however stained by the blood of civilized humanity, furnish no scenes of sanguinary strife more significant of great ideas and principles, than are those transpiring within the domain of our national life. The clashings of ideas in the world of mind have been transmuted into the forces of destruction on the theatre of mortal combat. The very lights of civilization are mingling with the lurid flames of civil war. Institutions, representative of all that is valuable in the progressive life, treasured laws and deeds of humanity, are being tried and tested as by fire. The civilization of the new world is undergoing a grand process of purification preparatory to its enlargement into all the coming centuries. As a people we are engaging all our resources in a great civil struggle, Between the that involves all the conditions of national growth and existence. embattled sections of the country, there are fundamental differences that reach into the central ideas and laws of society. On the one side are the sublime and self-sustaining forces of modern christian civilization; on the other the decaying elements of an effete social system, combining the expiring energies of feudalism with the brutal demonstrations of unmitigated barbarism. The civilization of the North rests upon the solid basis of popular intelligence and inalienable rights, and God given freedom; the civilization of the South effectually excludes the institutions of popular education; it wickedly denies the most sacred rights of humanity; it seeks to annihilate every vestige of republican liberty, so that its success would be the triumph of ignorance, and the ascendency of every species of wrong and injustice, and the substitution of the vilest system of oppression for the noblest heritage of constitutional liberty ever enjoyed by the human race. The great fell disease of the South, wasting its vitality like consumption, degrading its existence like the loathsome leprosy, heating its life into burning fury like the poison of the serpent, spreading its death-producing forces like the terrible cancer, is the blood-nourished disease of human slavery. All the woes of the people, all the calamities of the nation, all the anguish rushing like streams of blood into the bosoms of families, where their fairest and bravest fall victims to the thunder-bolts of war, all the sorrows of patriotism and religion that must stir the sympathies of angels, and bring into action the All-powerful sympathies of God, all proceed from the monster evil of oppression that has struck its roots into the legislation, into the jurisprudence, into the administrative policies, into the commercial system, into the power-grasping politics, aye, into the very religion and worship of the nation. Now, amid the terrific desolations of the war, there is, at least, one reason for praise to God, and that is found in its disintegrating action upon the slave power. In every battle tought, the artillery of the republic is turned against the doomed institution of oppression. Holy Freedom. robed in her garments of beauty, and adorned with the sunbeams and stars of God, is now leading the hosts and entrancing the hearts of our soldiers. The civilization of progress will surely follow in her steps, and where barbarism has lashed her victims, and impoverished the fairest surfaces of the globe, and made the rich the tyrants of the poor, there, when treason shall have lost its grasp upon the bones and sinews of the enslaved millions, and for want of sustenance shall have given up the ghost, the desert shall bud and blossom as the rose. In the meantime, it behooves every philanthropist, every christian, every loyal citizen, to stand at his post and put forth all his strength for the cause of his country.

We propose for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved 1. That firm and unconditional loyalty and support to the General Government, are not only due from every citizen, but are imperatively demanded by the exigencies of the hour, and that as christian men and uninisters we will cheerfully and conscientiously fulfill all our obligations to the constituted authorities of the nation, and use every proper means to direct and strengthen public opinion for all the high behests of patriotism.

Resolved 2. That we will cherish the purest remembrances of the valor and heroism of our fellow-citizen soldiers who have so nobly withstood the foe, and are ready to fight unto death for the maintenance of the government, and that the patriotic dead slain in battle by thousands shall live in our hearts with the very martyrs of our holy religion.

Resolved 2. That we are deeply interested in the religious well-being of the army, and affectionately counsel our brethren of this Conference, serving as chaplains, to all possible fidelity in the discharge of their official duties, and will pray for the success of their labors.

Resolved 4. That while the war is prosecuted for the preservation of the life and authority of the nation, for the destruction of rebellion and treason, and for the restoration of the constitution and laws to every part and portion of the national domain, believing, as we do, that slavery is the prime cause and strength of the rebellion, we rejoice in and hereby heartily approve of the proclamation of the President, based upon stern military necessity, solemnly declaring the slaves of all States in rebellion on the first of January next forever free, and that we will pray that this great act of emancipation may be carried into successful operation, and finally result in the freedom of every slave upon this continent.

Resolved 5. That as the race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong, we state our solemn conviction that the hopes of our country and the success of our arms depend to the greatest extent on the blessing and aid of Almighty God, that his existence, character, authority and providence, should be recognized in every possible way by the acts and voice of the government and the people, that we now rest the nation's great cause upon his eternal power and goodness, and that we will look to him, and direct the attention of our people to him, as our great deliver and Saviour.

T. C. GARDNER,

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J. F. DAVIDSON.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The Committee would express their conviction, that there is yet very much to be done by the members of this Conference before the ends proposed in the existence of our religious press shall have been accomplished. It has been sought to place this class of literature in the hands of all the families who are members of our church, and yet but a comparatively small portion of the whole subscribe for them. The intelligence that is thus disseminated by our different periodicals, fails, therefore, to be diffused as widely as the actual good of the church demands. The ability with which our respective organs are conducted, commends them to the patronage of all our members, and they ought, as far as possible, to be read by them.

Your committee would insist on the importance of the preachers using every commendable effort to increase the present circulation of our periodicals. The value of our Sunday school publications to the real advancement of the scholars can scarcely be over-estimated. The Sunday School Advocate may truly be said to exercise a prodigious influence upon our national prosperity, as it successfully implants in the young mind a love of virtuous excellence, which cannot but conduce, as years pass on, to the permanent prosperity of our common country.

We, therefore, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That while we, as a Conference, do not fail to have a just appreciation of the worth of our church literature, we will use vigorous efforts to give our periodicals greater circulation.

W. G. STONEX, S. P. LEE, E. KLUMPH.

BEPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The Committee on Temperance beg leave to report, that we are as much as ever convinced that the use of intoxicating drinks, as a beverage, tends to the destruction of bodily health, of moral goodness, and of social and domestic happiness in this world, and is doing more towards peopling the regions of perdition in the future world, than any other existing vice, and, at the same time, we fear the present excited state of our country is increasing the number of the wretched victims of intemperance, therefore,

Resolved, That as a body of ministers of the gospel, and as individuals, we will exert our best endeavors to suppress this flagrant vice, and perseveringly encourage all consistant efforts for the promotion of the cause of temperance.

O. TAYLOR, W. M. TRIGGS, J. CRAWFORD.

ANN ARBOR, Sept. 29, 1862.

REPORT ON PARSONAGES.

Whereas, We find very many of the circuits and stations within the bounds of our Conference are yet unprovided with suitable parsonages; And Whereas, this is often a source of great embarrassment both to pastors and people, and one which we believe our people generally are both able and willing to remove when the subject is properly brought before them; Therefore,

Resolved, That we will exhort and encourage our people to greater activity and zeal in this department of our work, until all our charges shall be supplied with good and suitable houses for their minister.

Which is respectfully submitted,

O. SANDBORN, Chairman.

REPORT ON THE TRACT CAUSE.

Your committee having witnessed in the past the blessed effects produced by the distribution of these silent messengers of mercy, and being convinced that the tracts published by the M. E. Church, (if freely circulated,) will prove a powerful antidote to the errors which are propagated, to the corrupt tendencies of the press, and the vices which are rampant around us, we are glad to learn that large quantities, during the past year, have been distributed amongst our soldiers resulting, doubtless, in an amount of good which eternity alone can reveal.

Your committee are further impressed with the conviction, that the times in which we live are such as to demand the attention of the church to this department of christian labor, and that the means presented for doing good are such as have never been witnessed in our past history.

We further call the attention of the Conference to the serious financial embarrassment of our Tract Society, and believe that we cannot neglect this agency and be guiltless in the sight of God. Therefore,

Resolved 1. That we will endeavor to organize societies, and encourage the systematic distribution of our Society's publications in every part of our work.

Resolved 2. That in view of the expense which has and may be incurred in supplying tracts and other reading matter to our soldiers, we pledge our hearty co-operation in this glorious enterprise, and promise as speedily as possible to bring the subject before the people of our respective charges, and take up collections wherever it is deemed practicable.

WILLIAM DONNELLY.
JOHN WESLEY,
JOSEPH S. SUTTON.

Vote on Lay Representation.

IN THE CONFERENCE.

Entitled to vote	127
Whole number of votes given	96
For Lay Representation	
Against Lay Representation	
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Whole number entitled to vote, reported	3469
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For Lay Representation49	96
Against Lay Representation	30
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Delegates to Corresponding Ecclesiastical Bodies.

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IX. Legal Forms.

FOR APPOINTING TRUSTEES.

This Certifies, That I, A—B—, preacher in charge of R— circuit, have this —— day of ——, A. D. 186—, appointed C— D—, E—F—, G—H—, I—J—, K— L—, Trustees of the Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in S—, in the said county of ——, in the State of Michigan. The said corporation shall be described and known as the "U—V— of the Methodist Episcopal Church." Done according to the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the statute in such case made and provided.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
COUNTY OF ——— Ss.

This —— day of September, 186—, personally appeared before me, ——, a Justice of the Peace, the above named A— B—, known to me as the person executing the above instrument, and acknowledged that he did the same freely, for the purposes therein specified.

R--- S---,

Justice of the Peace.

FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN BOARDS OF TRUSTEES.

This Certifies, That at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of "U—V—, of the Methodist Episcopal Church," held ——, 186—, F— W— and S— P— were duly elected Trustees of said corporation, to fill the vacancy in said Board, occasioned by the resignation of E— F— and G— H—. Done according to the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the statute in such case made and provided.

On this —— day of ——, 186—, personally appeared before me the above named O— R—, A— B— and D— P—, known to me to be the persons executing the above instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same freely, and that they respectively hold the office affixed to their names.

The foregoing certificates must be signed, sealed and acknowledged before some one authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds, and recorded in the County Clerk's office, before the appointment becomes legal. It is the same with the certificate to fill vacancies, as in the original appointment.

SESSIONS OF THE DETROIT ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

PLACES.	Date.	Bishops Presiding	Sccreta- ries.	Numbers Returned	Proba- tioners.	Total.
Adrian	Sept. 17—23, 1860	T. A. Morris	S. Reed	9,376	1,624	11,000
Port Huron	Sept. 2—9, 1857	B. Waugh	S. Reed	10,680	2,070	12,750
Ypsilanti	Sept. 8—13, 1858	O. C. Baker.	S. Reed	13,067	3,964	17,031
Pontiac	Sept. 28—Oct. 4, 1859	E. S. Janes	S. Reed	14,303	2,418	16,721
Dexter	Sept. 26—Oct. 2, 1860	T. A. Morris	S. Clements, Jr.	14,552	1,964	16,516
Detroit	Sept. 25—Oct. 4, 1860	E. R. Ames	S. Clements, Jr.	14,626	1,919	16,545
Ann Arbor	Sept. 24—29, 1862	L. Scott	S. Clements, Jr	14,187	1,583	15,770

CONFERENCE RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Conference shall meet at 8 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 12 M., but may alter the time of meeting and adjourning at its discretion.

2. The President shall take the chair precisely at the time to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, and shall have the journals of the preceding day read and approved.

3. The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference, but, in case of an appeal, the question shall be taken without debate

4. He shall appoint all committees not otherwise specially ordered by the Conference, but any member may decline serving on more than one committee at the same time.

5. All motions and resolutions introduced by any member shall be reduced to writing if the President, Secretary, or any member of the Conference request it.

6. When a motion, resolution, or report presented, is read by the Sccretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed in possession of the Conference, but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before action or amendment.

7. No new motion or resolution shall be made until the one under consideration has been disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following should intervene, which motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed, viz: Indefinite postponement; laying on the table; reference to a committee; postponement to any given time, or amendment.

8. No member shall be interrupted when speaking, except by the President to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalities, or disrespectful language, but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems a speaker out of order, or any other member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

9. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or more than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

- 11. When any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any member who voted in the affirmative to move a reconsideration.
- 12. No member shall absent himself from the services of Conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.
- 13. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar of the Conference at the time such question is put by the President, except by leave of Conference, when such member has been necessarily absent.
- 14. Every member who shall be within the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, excuse him.
 - 15. No motion shall be considered unless seconded.
- 16. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the proceedings of Conference, and, when approved, shall record them in a book provided for that purpose. He shall take charge of the journal and other papers of the Conference, and preserve them with care; suffer no person to take a copy of any paper during the interval of Conference, except with the consent of the Conference, and shall forward the journal and papers to the next Annual Conference.
- 17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, and shall be decided without debate.
- 18. No preacher shall bring any charge against any member of this Conference until he has first given him information of the same, either by letter or otherwise, so that the accused may have an opportunity for defense.
- 19. When any brother intends to object to the passage of another's character, it shall be his duty to hand the name of the person against whom objectious are to be made, to the President of the Conference, who shall pass the name by, to be investigated in secret session, at such time as the Conference may direct.

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